

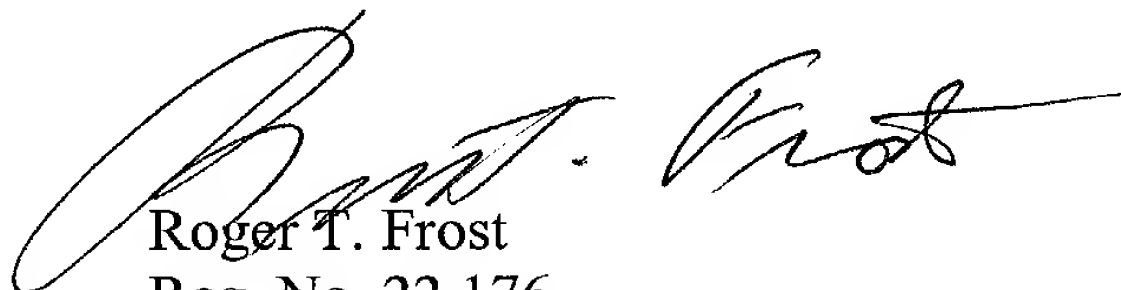
Application No. 09/579,294
Second Response

REMARKS

A new version of amended Claim 1 is submitted to resolve the discrepancy between the clean copy and the marked-up version of that claim in the Second Response. The undersigned regrets this confusion.

Claim 1 (twice amended) recites that the tip ends are "...operative to prevent said engaging projections from being pulled out...." This wording is submitted to overcome the rejection under 35 USC 112, 2nd paragraph. The present amendments are not made to narrow the scope of that claim.

Respectfully submitted,



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MARKED COPY OF AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

Claim 1 is amended as follows:

1. (Twice amended) A plane carbon commutator comprising:
a plurality of metal segments fixed to a commutator body made of resin;

and

engaging projections provided on a carbon which was previously burnt at a high temperature, said engaging projections being engaged with engaging holes provided in said segments and integrally formed as one unit,

wherein tip ends of cut-rising pieces functioning to allow insertion of said engaging projections into said engaging holes, but operative to prevent said engaging [holes] projections from being pulled out from said engaging holes, are projected from peripheral edges of said engaging holes, and

said cut-rising pieces are brought into contact under pressure with peripheral faces of said engaging projections.